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POSTAL REGULATORY  
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To the Commission:

As a customer and holder of a post office box at the Berkeley Main Post Office, I would like to appeal the Postal Service's decision to close the Main Post Office at 2000 Allston Way in Berkeley and relocate retail services.

I believe the Postal Service's decision was arbitrary and capricious, and without observance of procedures required by law.

My concerns include the following:

- The USPS has not made a full record of the proceedings available to the public. Significantly the critical financial information that outweighed community concerns is considered "proprietary" and is not available to the public.
- The USPS Vice-President of Facilities has responsibility for the implementation of the USPS initiative effort to optimize its retail network. This initiative and the current financial exigencies of the USPS result in a situation where there is insufficient separation of functions to permit the USPS Vice-President of Facilities to impartially review a relocation decision.
- The USPS final determination letter of July 18, 2013, alludes to "the financial burden on mailers to commute to a different location to conduct their postal business" in a possible reference to the relocation of bulk mailing services to a location outside Berkeley's central business district, but no specific justification for the relocation of these services is offered.

Please advise me of any further information that the Commission requires to perfect this appeal.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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